

## BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

DATE February 5, 1987

FULL NAME Joseph A. Cousins SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_  
 (No initials if you can possibly get full name)

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY Latham STATE New York ZIP CODE 12110DATE OF BIRTH 9/56 (This is important and should be exact)

APPROXIMATE AGE \_\_\_\_\_ (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known)

RELIGION \_\_\_\_\_ NATIONALITY \_\_\_\_\_

OCCUPATION Has been a factory worker at Barclay in Cohoes NY'; also a truck driver at on tiEDUCATION UnknownWEIGHT 190 lbs ? HEIGHT 5/11" approx. RACE whiteCOLOR OF HAIR dark blonde COLOR OF EYES \_\_\_\_\_

OUTSTANDING CHARACTERISTICS OR INTERESTS \_\_\_\_\_

MARRIED OR SINGLE Single CHILDREN n/a

(Number, ages, and names, if possible)

NAME OF SPOUSE n/aSCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

UNIT #	CITY	STATE	POSITION	DATE REGISTERED	DATE RESIGNED
#01231 Troop 513	Troy	New York	Scoutmaster	Sept. 1983	
Pack 563	Troy	New York	Member of Committee		

SPECIAL RECOGNITION \_\_\_\_\_

SUSPENDED OR DENIED REGISTRATION FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:

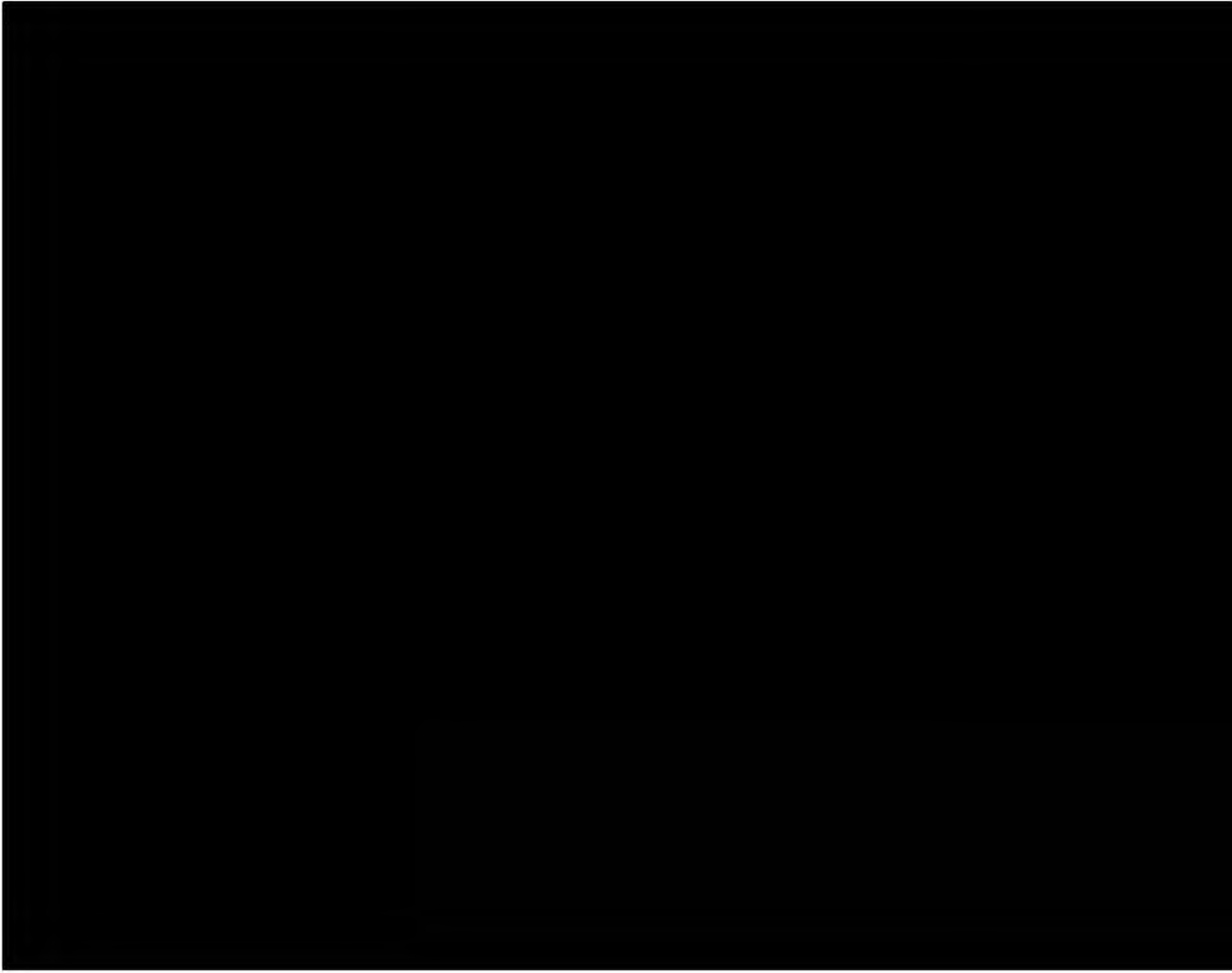
Pleaded guilty to third degree sodomy with 15 year old boy.

SPECIFY THE FACTS WHICH LEAD YOU TO RECOMMEND DENIAL OF REGISTRATION AND LIST ATTACHED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS (STATE ONLY KNOWN FACTS, NOT RUMOR, CONJECTURE OR SPECULATION):

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 E. STARON *Registration files*  
 FEB 11 1987 *2-10-87*  
 RS-509 *cm.*  
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 JOSEPH L. *CLIM*

Signed *Rickard H. Allen*  
 SCOUT EXECUTIVE  
 Council *Samuel Clinton #36*



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Governor Clinton Council, Inc., No. 364  
Boy Scouts of America

257 Osborn Road, Loudonville, New York 12211  
Telephone: 518 459-5170

February 4, 1987

Mr. Paul Ernst, Director.  
Registration and Statistical Service  
National Council, B.S.A.  
1325 Walnut Hill Lane  
Irving, Texas 75038-3096

Dear Paul:

It was not possible to reply to your letter of December 5, 1986 until late this past week due to lack of any "real" evidence concerning Mr. Joseph A. Cousins. You can see by the enclosed newspaper articles that Mr. Cousins pleaded guilty to charges of sodomy and will be sentenced on February 27, 1987.

Several attempts were made to secure written evidence about Mr. Cousins through the local office of the New York State Police, who conducted the investigation but to no avail. Scouting has fared rather well with no worse publicity than that appearing in the Schenectady newspaper -no telephone calls from the newspaper, radio or television stations.

I trust the enclosed will help create a file on Mr. Cousins and prohibit his registration with the Boy Scouts of America. By the way, Cub Pack 563 in District #2 wanted to register Mr. Cousins as a member of the committee. Obviously, he was deleted from the charter.

Sincerely,

Richard H. Allyn  
Scout Executive

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## Man gets prison in knife attack

Two men were sentenced and two others pleaded guilty during appearances before Albany County Judge John Turner.

Albert Winn Jr., 41, of 297 Northern Boulevard, Albany, was sentenced as a second felony offender to 2 to 4 years in state prison. He was convicted of second-degree assault after a jury trial for the June 8 knifing of another man.

Also sentenced Wednesday by Turner was John M. Flood, 27, of 75 Rapple Drive, Albany.

Flood was placed on three years' probation and sentenced to 30 days in the Albany County Jail on his earlier guilty plea to seventh-degree criminal possession of a controlled substance. Flood admitted he had a quantity of marijuana in his home on Feb. 11.

Todd McElhiney, 22, of 53 N. Jay St., Schenectady, will be sentenced March 26 after pleading guilty Wednesday to two counts of second-degree burglary.

Joseph Cousins, 30, of Aspin Road, Colonie, will be sentenced Feb. 27 on his guilty plea to third-degree sodomy.

He admitted to having deviate intercourse with a 15-year-old boy at the Aspin Road address on Oct. 10.

## Ex-Scout Head Pleads Guilty To Sex Charge

ALBANY — Joseph A. Cousins, a former Colonie Boy Scout leader accused of sexually molesting a 15-year-old scout in his troop, waived indictment yesterday and pleaded guilty to third-degree sodomy in Albany County Court.

His plea bargain calls for a jail term of 60 days and five years probation when he is sentenced on Feb. 27, according to Assistant District Attorney Paul DerOhannessian II. The charge carries a maximum penalty of 1½ to four years in prison.

Cousins, 30, admitted engaging in deviate sexual intercourse with the boy at about 11 p.m. last Oct. 10 at his home on Aspin Road. The boy had also reported that a similar incident occurred in September.

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In a stabbing case, 41-year-old Albert Winn Jr. was sentenced to two to four years in prison by County Judge John G. Turner Jr.

Winn, of Northern Boulevard, was convicted of second-degree assault in a jury trial last month.

He had been indicted on a charge of first-degree assault after allegedly cutting a man's throat during a fight outside a bar at Delaware and Elizabeth streets on June 8.

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In a marijuana case, 27-year-old John M. Flood was sentenced by Turner to 30 days in jail and three years probation on his guilty plea to seventh-degree criminal possession of a controlled substance.

Flood, of Rapple Drive in Colonie, had been accused of selling more than four ounces of marijuana to a minor and to an undercover officer on Feb. 11.

In another case, a 22-year-old Schenectady man pleaded guilty to two counts of second-degree burglary.

Todd Michael McElhiney, of North Jay Street, admitted breaking into two Colonie homes last November.

He is scheduled to be sentenced on March 26.

Albany, N.Y., Thursday, Jan. 29, 1987

# Albany man guilty on 2 counts in burglary case

By Shirley Armstrong

Staff writer

An Albany man, who walked from the scene of a burglary into the arms of a police officer who had been alerted by a neighbor, was convicted by an Albany County Court jury Wednesday of two charges.

After deliberating 50 minutes, the jury found Irving Slaughter, 27, of 74 Dana Ave., guilty of first-degree burglary and attempted second-degree robbery.

During three days of the trial before Judge John G. Turner Jr., Assistant District Attorney Lawrence Wiest produced evidence that Slaughter broke into the apartment of 81-year-old Clarence Gordon at 496 Madison Ave., at 3 p.m., Aug. 30.

Gordon testified that Slaughter knocked him against a radiator, inflicting a permanent hip injury. He said the

man then went to a dresser, but found no money and left.

A neighbor, Joseph Shubert, said he called police after noticing a man loitering, and then saw him scale a fence and unlock a back gate.

Officer Timothy Carroll testified that he apprehended Slaughter as the latter emerged from the back door.

In other Albany County Court cases:

● Albert Winn Jr., 41, of 297 Northern Blvd., Albany, was sentenced by Turner as a predicate felon to 2-to-4 years in prison. Winn had been found guilty of second-degree assault in a knife attack, in which the victim's throat was injured, on June 8 in Albany.

● Joseph A. Cousins, 39, of 31 Aspin Road, Colonie, pleaded guilty to third-degree sodomy and will be sentenced by Turner on Feb. 27. Cousins admitted an act of deviate intercourse at his

residence with a 15-year-old boy on Oct. 10.

● John M. Flood, 27, of 75 Rappie Drive, was sentenced by Turner to three years probation, with the first 30 days in Albany County Jail, for criminal possession of a controlled substance, seventh degree. He had admitted having a quantity of marijuana on Feb. 11.

● Todd Michael McElhinney, 22, of 53 North Jay St., Schenectady, pleaded guilty before Judge Joseph Harris to two counts of second-degree burglary, in satisfaction of a 10-count indictment accusing him of a series of burglaries. Those to which he pleaded guilty occurred in Town of Colonie.

As part of a plea bargain, McElhinney agreed to testify against a co-defendant. Sentencing was deferred until March 26.

● Three Albany men, indicted in

separate cases, will be arraigned Friday.

Dominick Turnbull, 29, of 495 Third St., is accused of second-degree assault in the alleged stabbing of a woman in the chest about 11 p.m. on Sept. 10 at Myrtle Avenue and Quail Street, Albany.

Michael A. Young, 25, of 15 Regent St., Albany, is charged with criminal possession of stolen property, third degree, and a misdemeanor count of driving while intoxicated. Authorities allege he was intoxicated and driving a stolen car on Jan. 1.

Tommy G. McClanay, 53, of 3 O'Connell St., Albany, is charged with two felony counts of driving while intoxicated. Belkheim Police arrested McClanay about 8 p.m. last Aug. 13 after responding to a report of a vehicle stuck in a corn field. They said McClanay was the operator of the vehicle and was intoxicated.

December 5, 1986

Mr. Richard M. Allyn  
Scout Executive  
Governor Clinton Council, No. 364

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Joseph A. Cousins

Dear Dick:

This is in response to your telephone call in October concerning the above-named individual. It was indicated that the individual was Scoutmaster of Troop 513 and is now in jail.

We would like more substantiating information in order to set up a file and refuse registration should attempts be made at a later time in a different area. We must have newspaper clippings, court records, or statements from individuals which would substantiate our refusal of registration.

I am enclosing a Confidential Record Sheet which I would like to have completed so that we may identify Mr. Cousins should that registration attempt occur.

Thank you for your help in protecting the youth of America.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernes, Director  
Registration, Subscription &  
Statistical Service

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cc: Northeast Region

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CALL BACK REQUESTED \_\_\_\_\_

COUNCIL # 364

PHONE NO: \_\_\_\_\_

CALLER: Dick Allen

POSITION: \_\_\_\_\_

TYPE OF PROBLEM

REGISTRATION \_\_\_\_\_

VETERANS \_\_\_\_\_

EXPLORING \_\_\_\_\_

SCOUTING \_\_\_\_\_

BOYS' LIFE \_\_\_\_\_

UNIT #

DIST. #

EXP. DATE

TRANSMITTAL #

FILM #

SM is in jailJoseph A Cousins of Troop 513 Dist 2[REDACTED] - Latham NY 12110Oakwood am Pres. Church2 Counts Jadeny with Scoutsmore info to comeNAME FSmtDATE 10-24-86

TIME \_\_\_\_\_